



ALEXANDRIA, VA.  
SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1870

In the Maryland House of Delegates, yesterday, Mr. Merriok, Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, to which was referred the special message of the Governor of March 15, 1870, relating to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, made a report thereon, accompanied by a bill to authorize the transfer of the stock by the State in the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company to the trustees of the bondholders of said company.

The Richmond State Journal is frank and outspoken in its admission as to the present "condition," not to say "situation"—It says: "The States are nothing—no more than counties—and the general government everything. You may not like it, but the war has made it so. State legislatures and governors are of small account, and will 'grow small by degrees and beautifully less,' in the present and future political calculations of this country."

To this complexion have we come, at last!

An exchange says:—It is remarkable how many men go to Congress poor and soon become rich. A salary of \$5000 a year affords the means of living extravagantly through the seasons, travelling in Europe during recess, and, after a few terms, putting by hundreds of thousands.

"How happy the soldier who lives on his pay, And spends half a crown out of sixpence a day!"

In the House of Representatives, yesterday, a discussion took place in relation to Mr. Kelley's charges of sales of cadetships by former members from Pennsylvania, during which Mr. Kelley explained that he only referred in his statement on Thursday, to his immediate predecessor, from the Fourth District, Mr. Millard, who sold a cadetship for one thousand dollars, and openly boasted of his action about the streets of Philadelphia.

It is observed that while the white people of this state, display a very commendable spirit of obedience to the laws, and acquiescence in results, and a great desire for "reconstruction," the colored people in many places, especially in Elizabeth City county, exhibit "contumacious" state of mind, a refusal to "acquiesce" or "submit," and remain in a decidedly "unreconstructed" condition!

Movements are making in various directions by land companies in New York to colonize the Southern States with emigrants from the North and from Europe. Maryland and Virginia find considerable favor, and well directed efforts have been made to colonize North Carolina, whither persons have gone to prepare for a number of emigrants expected this spring.

The Central and Maryland coal companies have consolidated, and will hereafter do business in the name of the Maryland Coal Company. The Cumberland Coal and Iron Company has been merged with the Consolidation. Coal boats may be expected down the C. & O. Canal next week.

Senator Drake's proposition on the Georgia bill to quarter troops upon the citizens of those places, reported to be in a "disturbed" condition, and to make the people pay for their support, was actually listened to patiently and discussed in the U. S. Senate. No comment is needed.

The steam tug engaged in capturing some schooners employed as oyster boats, who were taking in cargoes in the Patuxent river, contrary to law, took fire a few days ago, and burned to the water's edge.

In old times, the "country gentlemen" in Congress used to be urging business through, in order to get home to "corn planting."

More "frauds and robberies" are reported in New York, by the newspapers of that city.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of Gen. Sickles, as Minister to Spain.

Every effort is being made by the Administration to procure the ratification by the Senate, of the St. Domingo treaty.

Wild pigeons are now very numerous in the neighborhood of Cumberland, Md.

**Foreign News.**

General Sheridan's late campaign against the Indians, is severely criticised by the London Times.

The merchants of Liverpool protest against the system of all messages sent by cable to America to be first sent to London.

The ship *Germania*, in the West India trade, was totally lost on Goodwin Sands, off the Kentish coast, Thursday.

In the Prince Pierre Bonaparte trial, yesterday, the argument for the prosecution was concluded.

The Pope's answer to Mr. Daru has been received in Paris, but the contents have not been made known.

The anti-military agitation is extending in the States of South Germany.

Interesting debates in the British House of Commons continue on the bill for the enforcement of the laws in Ireland.

**GEORGETOWN, D. C., EXCHANGE.**—At a meeting of the Georgetown Merchants' Exchange held yesterday the following board of officers was elected: President, E. Lyons; vice-president, Geo. Waters; treasurer, J. J. Baal; secretary, Thos. C. Wheeler; directors, A. H. Herr, A. R. Hay, J. R. Burroughs, A. Ross Ray, J. Davidson, L. D. Hartley; executive committee, D. L. Shoemaker, J. G. Waters, A. R. Hay; committee on arbitration, D. L. Shoemaker and J. G. Waters. In consequence of the canal navigation being open, and the expected arrival of grain boats almost immediately, it was decided that the daily meetings of the board for sales of grain begin Monday next.

Dr. James Higgins, formerly State Chemist of Maryland, died in Baltimore yesterday.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

"To show the very age and body of the times."

The New York correspondent of the Boston Journal describes a new invention for displacing steam by electricity, and says that lathe, planing machines and other mechanical arrangements are driven by this power. To run an engine of twenty-horse power by this invention would require only a space of three feet long, two feet wide and two feet high. The cost per day would be thirty-five cents. On a steamship no coal would be required, and the space now used for coal and machinery could be used for cargo.

Mr. A. T. Stewart, has reduced the rents upon all of his New York city property. The reduction is from ten to thirty per cent. In all cases the reductions were made without the consent of the tenants. Much of Mr. Stewart's property is occupied by boarding-houses.

The burning of the Central Pacific Railroad bridge over the American river was undoubtedly the work of design, as the fire was observed in a number of places at the same time. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. Several hundred workmen are now engaged in erecting a temporary bridge.

The Savannah Republican says that in the low counties of Georgia, on the rice and sea island cotton plantations, there is a deficiency of labor, and much less land in cultivation as compared with last year. In fact, the labor is diminishing in quantity and deteriorating in quality, year after year.

The workmen on the Government improvements at Des Moines Rapids, Iowa, have struck and driven off the few who remained at their labor. The Sheriff intervened with a force yesterday, and it is supposed that a serious conflict has taken place.

The Committee on Registration of the Maryland Legislature on Thursday night reported a bill to the House of Delegates in which the word "white" is stricken out, so that under it colored voters will be allowed to register.

Rev. Mr. Pence, whose mysterious disappearance from West Hampton, N. Y., last December, has appeared at Wallingford, Connecticut, and is stopping with friends. His wife is with him.

The First Branch of the Baltimore City Council last evening passed an ordinance providing for the endorsement of the bonds of the Maryland Central Railroad, to the extent of \$600,000.

The recent failure in New York of the house of Weil & Rosenberg, a hat jobbing house, has inflicted severe losses upon several of the largest hat manufacturing firms in that city.

So far as known the defalcations of Bailey, Internal Revenue Collector at New York, amount to \$125,000. The returns of the tax assessments will probably increase the amount.

Statistics show that the ratio of annual increase in suicide all over the world is from 3 to 5 per cent., while the ratio of increase of population is about 1.64 per cent. a year.

The Female Anti-Slavery Society of Philadelphia formally "disbanded" on Thursday, after having existed for thirty seven years.

A Western effort offers to wage fifty dollars that there will be women in Congress within three years.

Don Antonio Flores was yesterday officially introduced to the President as Minister from the Republic of Ecuador at Washington.

There was an explosion at one of Dupont's powder mills at Wilmington, Del., yesterday, by which one man was killed.

The New York Masons are to erect an asylum for aged Masons and orphans, to cost \$500,000.

Lovjoy's Hotel in New York is to be altered into stores and offices.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

The Board of Directors of the Fredericksburg and Gordonsville Railroad Company have directed Carter M. Braxton, the President of the Company, to open negotiations with capitalists for the early completion of their road to Charlottesville. The contract made with Mr. H. H. Walbridge some time since, has been forfeited by his failure to comply with its conditions.

E. H. Dickinson, who has been missing since the 28th of February last, was found drowned in the river at Fredericksburg. The deceased was a teacher in Koth's German English School, and was about 25 years of age. He is supposed to have fallen into the river while under the influence of liquor.

The Potomac Visiting Agricultural Society is holding its meetings at the residences of its members in Stafford county. The next meeting will be held on the third of Saturday in April at the residence of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, near Aquia Creek.

A magnificent eagle, measuring 8 feet 3 inches from tip to tip of its wings, was recently killed in Elizabeth City county. A wolf, measuring from point of nose to tip of tail, 9 feet 3 inches, was recently killed in Payette county, West Virginia.

A fine fat back was run over and killed by the passenger train of the Virginia and Tennessee railroad, Monday night, on Pea Creek Mountain. This is a new "invention" in the sporting line.

Supervisor, Presbury, of Virginia, has ordered the seizure of a tobacco factory in the sixth (Seaton) district, for an alleged deficiency amounting to about \$6,000.

Mr. Pomeroy, editor of the New York and La Crosse Democrat, has been lecturing in Lynchburg, in this State, to a large audience.

Major George W. Miller, a prominent and enterprising citizen of Rockingham, died a few days ago.

A herring has been caught in Aquia creek weighing nearly four pounds!

**AMUSING INCIDENT.**—Yesterday, while the election of Circuit Judges was progressing in the Senate of Virginia, and just after Mr. Treadway's nomination had been made, the President had stated that if any gentleman had "further nominations to make they were now in order," an individual from the lobby, walked up the main aisle and very respectfully addressing the chair as "Your Honor," made a request that he be allowed to comply with the invitation, as he had a friend whose name he wished to bring before the body for consideration.

The President, with all the gravity at command, requested the Sergeant-at-Arms to remove the gentleman from the chamber. The order was obeyed, much merriment having been occasioned, and each Senator strenuously denying that the offender was of his constituency.

**THE ARMY BILL.**—Senator Wilson visited the President on Thursday, and read to him the bill reducing and reorganizing the army, as prepared by the Senate and adopted by the Senate Committee on Military Affairs. The bill is very different from the Logan bill as it passed the House, except so far as the section referring to the pay of the officers and men. This is left the same. The reduction of the army from 100,000 to 50,000 men reduces the expenses about \$7,000,000 a year, as it is estimated to cost \$1,000,000 a year to sustain a regiment. Senator Wilson and the President discussed the features of the bill, and when the Senator left the White House the President informed him that he approved the bill. Senator Wilson presented the bill yesterday.

**DIED.**—In this city, on the 12th inst., MARGARET VIRGINIA, wife of Robt. F. Prettymann, esq.

## LETTER FROM RICHMOND.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]  
RICHMOND, March 25.—The Legislature today, elected the following Circuit Judges:—1st Circuit, Geo. Blow, jr., of Norfolk, 21 S. S. Weigert, of Dinwiddie, 3d Asa Dickinson, of Prince Edward, 4th W. M. Treadway, of Pittsylvania, 5th G. A. Wingfield, of Bedford, and 6th Henry Shackelford, of Culpeper. Further elections were deferred until to-morrow. Very little else of interest was done.

In the Senate, the House amendments to the Shenandoah Valley railroad bill were concurred in.

A bill incorporating the Virginia Law Society was passed.

The Committee on Courts of Justice were instructed to inquire into the propriety of preparing by law, the introduction of pauper immigrants into this State, or if brought, binding the parties bringing them to be responsible for their welfare, for twelve months after settlement.

The House bill, entitled an act in relation to commissioners of revenue, was made the special order for to-morrow.

Resolutions were passed by both Houses in regard to the resistance made by the blacks in Norfolk, Elizabeth City and New York counties to the execution of the laws of the State by the civil authorities, and requesting the President of the United States to send such military force to those counties as will be sufficient to enforce the laws of the State, and prevent the bloodshed which will ensue, if the civil authorities endeavor, unaided, to carry out the law.

In the House of Delegates a joint resolution in relation to the reputation of public and private debts, was offered and reported from the committee on Finance, and placed on the calendar. The preamble recites that the credit of the State and of its citizens is being injured from an apprehension in the minds of some persons that the General Assembly will repudiate the debt of the State, and authorize the repudiation of the debts of her citizens, and closes with a resolution that the General Assembly will pass no such acts of repudiation either in whole or in part, and that to do so would be no less destructive of our future prosperity than of our credit, our integrity, and our honor.

The caucus to be an absence of all political feeling in the choice of Judges to day, the Radicals in many instances endorsing the Conservative nominees. Mr. Dickinson was endorsed in the Senate by Bland, and Mr. Henry Shackelford received the entire vote cast in both Houses.

The Radical conference which was to have been held in this city on the 6th of April, has been postponed by Messrs. Gilmer, Porter and Wickham until Thursday, April 21st.

The argument in the injunction case, was further continued to day before Judge Underwood, by Messrs. Chandler and R. T. Daniel. The interest seems to be abating.

It is understood that Theodore B. Wardwell, son of Nathaniel Wardwell, late Superintendent of the Penitentiary here, has been appointed to a military cadetship at West Point by the Secretary of War.

The caucuses of the conservatives of the Legislature are in future to be held in the daytime, for which purpose the hour of meeting of the Legislature until the election of Judges is over, has been changed to one o'clock.

Messrs. Moncure, Staples, Christian, Joyner, and Anderson, recently elected judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals, were commissioned as such yesterday, by the Governor, for twelve years each, dating from January 1st, 1870.

The Governor has appointed Messrs. F. R. Spilman, John A. Spilman, R. T. Scott, H. H. Robinson, A. Uman, C. T. Green, and R. W. Payne, councillors for the town of Warrenton.

## Letter from Loudoun Co.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]  
LEESBURG, March 24.—Constable George P. Hunter brought down to-day from the German Settlement, two colored men, Caleb Jackson and Charles Thompson, charged with robbing an old gentleman of his watch in his own house. He was sitting after night in his barn, when two blacks came in and asked permission to warm themselves, which he granted. While they were sitting at the fire, he called out to his watch, and one of them asked him to let him look at it. He looked at it and handed it back, when the other fellow snatched it, and they both ran off. He described the coat of one of them, and when they were arrested fully identified them as the parties who had robbed him. They were committed for trial.

The weather has been delightful during the day for several days past, but sharp at night. If I am not mistaken it is the very kind of weather desired by those who make "tree sugar."

Our people have commenced gardening. There is considerable stir in the county on the subject of roads and sidewalks.

Hamilton and Lovettsville are having oyster suppers for improving their sidewalks and may be other villages will follow.

Leesburg has done a good deal in this matter for a season or two past, and when we get our town council, I suppose more will be done.

I think no one here would qualify under the "enabling act," as the time is too short before the election. Yours, &c., ALQUIES.

**AT HIS OLD TRICKS.**—The notorious Geo. Jarboe, who has been in nearly every jail in Southern Maryland and the District of Columbia for a long time, and who has been named to make his escape, was arrested in Washington last week, under suspicious circumstances, and upon the officers searching him, some papers were found upon his person, among them some letters purporting to be from persons from the country to parties in Washington, asking for the loan of money, which the prisoner acknowledged to have been written by him. One of these purported to be written by Dr. George D. Mudd, of Bryantown, Charles county, to Mr. Frederick Stone, our representative in Congress, asking the loan of \$50 to the bearer, and enclosing his note for the amount at sixty days. The prisoner acknowledged that his name was George Jarboe, and the detectives state that he is wanted at Fairfax Court House, Va., to answer the charge of horse stealing in that locality, and at Alexandria to answer the charge of obtaining money from parties there on forged paper. He was committed by Justice Walter.—*Prince Georgean.*

**VESSELS AT KEY WEST.**—How the operations of the telegraph are causing changes in this country is wonderfully exemplified at Key West. Vessels arrive there now that do in a few hours, and by the expenditure of from thirty to fifty dollars, a business which cost them thousands of dollars heretofore, and many days' time. The captains of these vessels telegraph to different ports inquiring for freights. By telegraph they make their engagements to accept freight, and move direct for the place or places where they can get that freight, and the prices for carrying it that are most profitable.

**HARD WATER.**—In Europe hard water is considered more healthful than soft. The French savans, when inquiring after water for the supply of Paris, found that more conscripts are affected in soft water districts, on account of imperfect development and stunted growth, than in the hard; and they concluded that calcareous water in water is less essential to the formation of tissues. Facts having a similar bearing have been noted in Great Britain.—*We doubt it altogether.*

## THE PRESIDENT AND THE SENATE.—The

matter of the President's visiting the Capitol upon executive business, is provided for in the rules of the Senate itself. The express provision of Rule 37 has been in force ever since the very foundation of the government, as follows: "When the President of the United States shall meet the Senate in the Senate Chamber, for the consideration of executive business, the presiding officer of the Senate shall have a chair on the floor, and be considered as a member of the Senate, and his chair shall be assigned to the President of the United States."

**Tobacco.**—Very little tobacco is now coming into market, though the prices it sells for, are high and high. There is in truth but little tobacco in the country, as the yield last year was not large in this section, and a much larger portion of it has already been brought in, than had been brought to market at the same period of last year. Our country friends inform us that they are making preparations for a large crop next year; but with labor as scarce as it is becoming, and high, as it is almost sure to be, we fear they will experience some difficulty in carrying out fully their plans for the coming season.—*Lynch Rep.*

**ALEXANDRIA MARKET, March 26.**—The market for Flour is unchanged. Wheat is steady; sales of 75 bushels white at 125, and (10) of red at 120, 121, 123, 127 and 128. Corn is active, with light receipts. All samples offered were disposed of at quotations. We note sales of 800 bushels mixed and 41 of yellow at 90c. Rye easy; receipts small; sales at 95c. Oats steady; offerings of 160 bushels, and sales at 55c. Dressed Hogs at \$12.50 per cwt.

## MARINE LIST.

SUN BORN... 6 54 MOON SETS... 2 42  
SUN SETS... 6 18 HIGH WATER... 12 00

## PORT OF ALEXANDRIA, MAR. 26.

ARRIVED.

Steamer Matamoros, Baltimore, to W. A. Smoot.

Schr. Oregon, McCracken, Baltimore, to J. T. Armstrong.

MEMORANDA.

Bark Holstad, for this port, cleared at Liverpool 9th inst.

## BROCKERS.

NEW PIANO & MUSIC STORE,  
159 King street.

[Near St. Asaph street,] Alexandria, Virginia.  
AGENTS FOR

WM. KNABE & CO'S GOLD MEDAL PIANOS.

WM. HEINEKE'S first-class BALTIMORE PIANOS. Every instrument warranted for five years. Sold at factory prices on accommodating terms usual in other cities.

PARLOR ORGANS from the best makers. I will also furnish PIANOS from any source in the country, for which persons may have a preference at factory prices. I hope therefore to leave no cause for those who have at heart the interest of Alexandria to buy away from home.

I have also PIANOS from first-class makers, that have been out on rent, for sale at very reduced prices. Every instrument warranted—Also the following:

Violins, Guitars, Flutes, Clarinets, Accordions, Conchettas, Violoncellos, Banjos, Violins, Bells, Bridges, Pins, Reeds, Mouth Organs, &c., &c.

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Pianos, Organs, &c., for Rent. Also, tuned and packed. [Jan 10] V. BECKER.

## FOR RENT.

A desirable residence known as LINDEN is offered for rent. It is within one and a half miles of the Court House of Alexandria. There is attached to it and offered for rent with it SIXTY ACRES of good and well improved land, much of which is very fine corn land. The buildings consist of a comfortable FRAME DWELLING, a fine Barn, Corn House and other outbuildings, which are all in good condition, having been built within the last three years. There is upon this place an abundance of small fruit, and a good supply of wood. The building is situated on the heights of the Potomac. It commands an extensive and splendid view and is perfectly healthy and very desirable. This place will be rented to a good tenant, upon prompt application to me, or to Mr. Powell, at No. 24, corner of Washington and Duke streets, Alexandria, Va., or to my brother, Mr. Richard Lloyd, at his residence, Belmont, adjoining the place.

For herself and as Agent of the heirs of Fred'k. Lloyd, dec'd.  
N. B.—If not rented by May 1st, the buildings, with garden and orchard and about 15 or 20 acres attached, will be rented to a careful tenant on easy terms. [Jan 24-26] Wm. Lloyd.

## SINGER'S FAMILY SEWING MACHINE.

The same qualities which render this machine so admirable and efficient for use in the family, also commend it as indispensable for every grade of light manufactures, and it is incomparably the best Sewing Machine in the world. It is sold in one year exceeding those of the Wood, Howe, Florence and several other machines combined, and an excess of eleven thousand over the Grover & Baker.

The references of numerous parties who have purchased the Singer Machines can be obtained. Machines sold on liberal terms, and satisfaction guaranteed in every case.

C. C. BERRY, Agent.

72 King street, Alexandria, Va.

Two Howe Machines, new and in perfect order, for sale cheap. [Jan 27]

## LAST NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE.

The large amount of taxes unpaid and the heavy demands for money due on the County levy, as also the State, demands prompt action. By the 12th day of February, 1870, will be compelled to collect as the law provides. As my payments must be made to accommodate those who are employed during the day, I will be at my office on Wednesday and Friday nights, from 6 to 12 o'clock, at 8 o'clock. Office No. 12 South Royal street.

L. C. O'NEAL,

Jan 29 Sheriff Alexandria county, Va.

## TO FARMERS.

We have J. J. TURNER'S AMMONIATED SUPER PHOSPHATE for Spring crops. It has been satisfactorily tested for some years in different sections, and always with the most satisfactory results.

We shall be pleased to show our testimonials from well-known practical and reliable farmers, exhibiting increased yields of from 1 to 300 per cent from its use. It is the most successful corn grower in use.

mb 11 BREWIS & LAWSON.

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A new article, Bombazine Alpaca, with all the beauty of an elegant French Bombazine, at half the price, and will wear twice as long. Also, beautiful real Mohair Black Alpaca and double warped Alpaca, all qualities, at

mb 24 ROBT. L. WOODS.

## SEED POTATOES.

10 barrels EARLY ROSE.

15 barrels EARLY GOODRICH.

Just received and for sale by

mb 9 THOMAS PERRY.

## KID GLOVES! KID GLOVES!

Received this day my first supply of KID GLOVES for the spring trade, all shades and sizes, from 6 to 8. Call and get a pair.

mb 14 C. C. PERRY, 72 King st.

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mb 26 FRED. RECKER

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